

Public Lectures

All events are free and open to the public

February 7, 2018, 10:00am

Guest Lecture – "African American Contributions to Naval Station Great Lakes" presented by Rob Atkinson (USN, ret.) Help us commemorate African American History month with a lecture by Naval Station Great Lakes Physical Security Specialist Mr. Rob Atkinson (USN, ret.). Mr. Atkinson will speak about the experiences of African Americans stationed at Naval Station Great Lakes and the contributions these sailors have made to the base. This lecture will be followed by a short question-and-answer session.



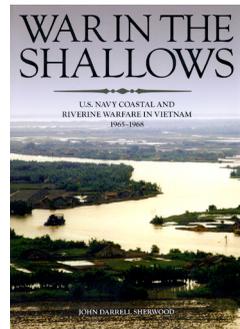
March 17, 6:00 pm

Guest Lecture "They Did Everything But Go To Sea: The Yeoman (F) in World War I," presented by Dr. Regina Akers – For Women's History month, the museum will be hosting a special lecture about the crucial role of Navy female yeoman during World War I. The Yeoman rating, which involves administrative and clerical duties, was the first permanent position open to women. This lecture will be presented

by Naval History and Heritage Command Historian Dr. Regina Akers and will be followed by a short question-and-answer session.

May 5, 2018, 6:00 pm

"Guest Lecture "War in the Shallows," presented by Dr. John Sherwood. The National Museum of the American Sailor is pleased to host a lecture by Naval History and Heritage Command Historian Dr. John Sherwood. Dr. Sherwood will be presenting an overview of the Brown Water (Riverine) Navy during the Vietnam War. This lecture will be followed by a short question-and-answer session.



May 25, 2018, 2:00 Remembering the *USS Cole* (DDG-67). In honor of Memorial Day, please join the National Museum of the American Sailor as we pay tribute to those lost during the attack on the *USS Cole*. Delivering remarks about that day will be Command Master Chief Pamela Jacobson (USN, ret.), who was the CMC of the *USS Cole* on the day of the attack. Artifacts related to the attack will also be on display.

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June 6, 2018, 10:00 am

Battle of Midway Commemoration. The Battle of Midway is seen as a turning point in the Battle of the Pacific during WWII. To commemorate the Battle of Midway, the museum will hold a special ceremony to honor the veterans of this momentous naval event and pay tribute to their valor, sacrifice, and bravery.

The commemoration ceremony will begin at 10:00 am and all are welcome to attend.

Movies

March 24, 2018, 6:00 pm

Film Screening: *Skirts Ahoy!* Get ready for popcorn and laughter as we screen the 1952 hit, *Skirts Ahoy!* Filmed at Naval Station Great Lakes and starring Esther Williams and Joan Evans, this post-war comedy follows the adventures of three young ladies who are starting their naval service. The film will be followed by a roundtable discussion about women in the military and how the service has changed for women over the years. Popcorn will be served throughout the film.

April 13, 2018, 6:00 pm

Film Screening: *Apollo 13* Fire up the movie projector and break out the screen as we screen the Academy Award winning film *Apollo 13*. Following the real-life events of the troubled Apollo 13 lunar mission, this film (starring Tom Hanks, Kevin Bacon, and Gary Sinise) highlights the intensity of space exploration and the determination of the men who risked their lives to reach the moon. The film will be followed by a roundtable discussion of the role the Navy played in the Apollo 13 mission. Popcorn will be served throughout the film.

Tours

June 16, 2018, 2:00 pm, Naval Station Great Lakes Architecture Tour. Since its opening in 1911, Naval Station Great Lakes has witnessed immense change. Despite the changes over the years, many aspects of the original design remain and this walking tour will highlight this point. Detailing the original design of the station and many of its original buildings, this architectural tour will last for 1-1 ½ hours and bring the history of this storied base to light. Advanced registration is required and registration limited. To register, please visit: www.eventbrite.com/e/naval-station-great-lakes-architectural-tour-tickets-42055140056

Children and Family Education

April 21, 2018, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm STEM Saturday: Navy Robotics Center. CALLING ALL FUTURE ENGINEERS!! Report to the National Museum of the American Sailor for a fun-filled day of building, experimenting, and learning about Robotics. Creation Stations will be set-up all around the museum where students can learn about how robots work and the engineering that goes into them. Navy City Outreach will also be on hand to demonstrate their Sea Perch Program.

Exhibits

May 12, 2018, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

Navy Tails: Animals in the Navy– Ever wonder about the role of animals in the Navy? Come out to the museum on May 12, 2018, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm as we celebrate a day of our favorite animals in uniform and unveil our newest exhibit, "Navy Tails: Animals in the U.S. Navy." For this celebration, visitors will be able to tour our newest exhibit, which highlights the important role animals have played in U.S. Naval history. We will also have presentations by Naval Station Great Lakes military working dogs and the Naval Station Great Lakes Veterinary clinic. For a complete schedule of events, please visit www.history.navy.mil/nmas.

Curator's Corner

June 13, 2018, 1:00 pm-2 pm

Curator's Corner: Sports in the Navy – Join us for a glimpse into the museum's artifact collection. Curator Dan Smaczny will present athletic artifacts that are rarely seen in the museum's galleries and discuss how sports are an integral part of Navy life.

Speaker's Bureau

Are you looking for a program for your civic organization, special-interest group, or community event? Museum staff and volunteers are available to deliver presentations relating to the history of the Navy and the enlisted Sailor. There is no charge for this service. Presentations vary in length, and may be delivered with or without an accompanying PowerPoint slide show. Visit www.history.navy.mil/nmas for currently available programs. Do you have a specific topic in mind? We will do our best to accommodate your needs, dependent upon staff availability. Please contact the museum at nmas.fct@navy.mil or 847-688-3154 x215 to schedule a presentation.